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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 1994.]

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. In s. PI 35.02 (12m), the agency may wish to consider adding the following phrase after “pupils”: “or activities engaged in by pupils.” Under s. PI 35.03 (6), the term “reasonable fees” applies to both materials and activities.

b. In s. PI 35.03 (1) (a), the phrase “shall ensure” could be changed to “ensures.”

c. Section PI 35.03 (6) (a) (intro.) provides that a private school may only charge pupils participating under the program fees that may be charged by public schools to indigent pupils. Do the fees charged by pupil schools differ from school to school? Is there a district standard for charging fees to indigent pupils? How will the private school discover what the fees should be? Subsection (6) (a) also provides that a private school may charge reasonable fees for various items and activities. Presumably, these fees are not the special fees charged to indigent pupils. If the “reasonable fees” are to be reduced for indigent pupils, sub. (6) (a) needs to be redrafted to clarify this point.

d. In s. PI 35.03 (6) (b), the phrase “under this subsection” does not appear to be necessary.

e. In the Note following s. PI 35.03 (6), the last sentence would be clearer if the word “collecting” were inserted after the word “for.”

f. In s. PI 35.06 (2), the agency may wish to redraft the initial sentence to avoid using the word “like.” One possible substitution would be to refer to “each private school requesting that transportation of pupils be provided shall notify the board....”